

Saskatchewan Provincial Auditor Reports on Areas For Improvement

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REGINA, June 7, 2012 – Provincial Auditor Bonnie Lysyk today released Volume 1 of her 2012 Report. The Report identifies a number of diverse issues across the broad spectrum of Government operations. The areas for improvement that the Auditor highlights include the following:

- Ministry of Education leadership is required to improve Grade 12 graduation rates
- The Ministry of Government Relations (formerly Municipal Affairs) needs to ensure that safe drinking water can be consistently provided to northern settlements
- The Ministry of Energy and Resources needs to do more to operate in full compliance with *The Pipelines Act, 1998* and *The Pipelines Regulations, 2000*
- The Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority should document a transparent customer-focused liquor procurement strategy
- > The Ministry of Social Services needs to establish outcome measures for communitybased organizations that deliver services to intellectually disabled individuals
- Saskatchewan Housing Corporation needs to improve its processes for maintaining the 18,300 housing units that it owns

Further details regarding these issues can be found in the accompanying Backgrounder.

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